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This application is abandoned in view of:						
Applicant's failure to timely file a proper reply to the Office A reply was received on (with a Certificate of Neperiod for reply (including a total extension of time of	failing or Transmission dated month(s)) which expired on	<u> </u>				
(b) A proposed reply was received on, but it does not constitute a proper reply under 37 CFR 1.113 (a) to the final rejection.						
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(c) A reply was received on but it does not constitute a proper reply, or a bona fide attempt at a proper reply, to the non-final rejection. See 37 CFR 1.85(a) and 1.111. (See explanation in box 7 below).						
(d) No reply has been received.						
 Applicant's failure to timely pay the required issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, within the statutory period of three months from the mailing date of the Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85). 						
 (a) The issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, was received on (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated), which is after the expiration of the statutory period for payment of the issue fee (and publication fee) set in the Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85). 						
(b) ☐ The submitted fee of \$ is insufficient. A balance of \$ is due. The issue fee required by 37 CFR 1.18 is \$ The publication fee, if required by 37 CFR 1.18(d), is \$						
(c) The issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, has no	t been received.					
 Applicant's failure to timely file corrected drawings as requ Allowability (PTO-37). 	ired by, and within the three-month	period set in, the Notice of				
(a) Proposed corrected drawings were received on (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated), which is after the expiration of the period for reply.						
(b) No corrected drawings have been received.						
 The letter of express abandonment which is signed by the attorney or agent of record, the assignee of the entire interest, or all of the applicants. 						
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 The decision by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interference rendered on and because the period for seeking court review of the decision has expired and there are no allowed claims. 						
7. ☑ The reason(s) below:						
Appellant failed to timely file an Appeal Brief within the time period allotted after Notice of Appeal was submitted (2 months + 5 month extension MPEP). Appeal Brief was due 7 months after Notice of Appeal (filed on 08/23/2011). See CFR 41.37(a)-(b). If no brief is filed within the time prescribed by 37 CFR 41.37, the appeal stands dismissed. Since no claims stand allowed, the application is considered to be abandoned as per MPEP 1215.04.						
	/Zachary A Davis/ Primary Examiner, Art Uni	t 2492				

Petitions to revive under 37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b), or requests to withdraw the holding of abandonment under 37 CFR 1.181, should be promptly filed to minimize any negative effects on patent term.

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